

## § 104.9

turn-around transit, where the vessel enters and exits the same set of locks at either Canal terminus.

### § 104.9 Cancellations.

(a) A vessel agent may cancel the transit reservation of a vessel by giving notice prescribed by Canal authorities. In such event, and except as otherwise provided, a cancellation fee will be charged. The amount of the fee will depend on the amount of notice (days or hours) received by Canal authorities in advance of the vessel's required arrival time, according to the following schedule:

Notice periods (in advance of required arrival time)	Cancellation fee (the greater of)
31 to 364 days .....	10% of booking fee or \$500.
22 to 30 days .....	40% of booking fee or \$750.
4 to 21 days .....	60% of booking fee or \$1000.
3 days to 8 hours .....	80% of booking fee or \$1,250.
Less than 8 hours .....	100% of booking fee.

(b) Receipt of notice of cancellation of a transit reservation by Canal authorities after the vessel's required arrival time will result in levy of a cancellation fee equal to the entire prescribed booking fee.

### § 104.10 Regular transits.

Vessels that are not booked for transit will be scheduled for movement through the Canal on the date and in the order determined by Canal authorities. In establishing the daily schedule of vessels to be moved through the Canal, the order in which vessels arrive is only one of several considerations. In general, regular transits will equal or exceed in number, one-half the total number of daily vessel transits.

### § 104.11 Temporary suspension of system.

(a) Canal authorities may temporarily suspend, in whole or in part, for whatever period of time deemed necessary, the vessel transit reservation system established by this part, whenever Canal authorities determine that such action is necessary to ensure continued safe and efficient operation of the Canal.

(b) No penalty or fee will be levied against any vessel booked for transit whose reserved transit slot is canceled

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by reason of a temporary suspension of the system pursuant to this section.

### § 104.12 Further implementation.

(a) To facilitate safe and efficient operation of the system, Canal authorities may establish additional policies and procedures, define additional terms and issue clarifications and interpretations not inconsistent with the provisions of this part. Such further implementation will be published and distributed to Canal customers through notices to shipping or other appropriate means determined by Canal authorities.

(b) In the event any provision of this part conflicts with any implementation provision issued pursuant to this section, the provisions of this part shall govern.

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### § 105.1 Pilots required.

(a) Except as provided by §§ 105.2, 105.3, and 105.7 or by paragraph (c) of this section, no vessel shall pass through, enter or leave the Canal, or maneuver in the Canal or waters adjacent thereto, including the ports of Cristobal and Balboa, without having a Panama Canal pilot on board.

(b) Normally a vessel will, unless advised to the contrary by the Canal Operations Captain or his designee, be boarded by the Panama Canal pilot inside the breakwater at a point north of the Mole Beacon at the Atlantic entrance and in the Merchant Vessel Anchorage to seaward of Buoys 1 and 2 at the Pacific entrance.

(c) In conformity with past practice, vessels anchored in Anchorage Area C and Anchorage Area F, as shown in the